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## Federal Opportunities

**Arts and Technology.** *The National Endowment for the Arts (NEA)* invites applications for its Resources for Change Technology program, which supports model projects that explore how advances in telecommunications and computer technology can help arts organizations function more efficiently, involve new audiences and participants, and integrate the arts into communities. Eligible applicants include nonprofits and state or local government that have a five-year history of programming. Applicants that are not arts groups must work closely with at least one arts organization that has a five-year history of organizing programs. The deadline for applications is November 5, 2002. Grant awards will range from \$50,000 to \$200,000. For more information, contact the NEA at (202) 682-5480 or see: <http://arts.endow.gov/guide/resources.html>.

## District Opportunities

**Young Artists Program.** *The DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities* announces funds to recognize up and coming DC artists with The Young Artists Grant Program. This new initiative is funded in part by the National Endowment for the Arts' Challenge America program, which provides state arts agencies with funds to support activities that visibly demonstrate the benefits the arts bring to their citizens. Grants will support individuals and organizations in two funding categories: 1) Young Emerging Artists Grant Program - innovative art projects; and 2) Young Artists Community Service Program - projects that strengthen communities as well as provide positive alternatives for youth. Eligible applicants include artists between the ages of

18 and 30. The deadline for applications is November 4, 2002. Grants of up to \$2,500 will support individuals in the following areas: Crafts, Dance, Folk Art, Interdisciplinary, Literature, Media, Music, Theater, and Visual art. Application forms can be obtained by calling (202) 724-5614 or by going to <http://dcarts.dc.gov>. Assistance in preparing applications will be given at workshops held on: October 17 from 7:00-8:00 PM and October 23, from 12:00-1:00 PM. Attendance at one of these two workshops is mandatory.

**DC Fatherhood Initiative.** *The DC Department of Human Services/Office of Special Initiatives* invites applications for funding for the DC Fatherhood Initiative. The District is developing an infrastructure supporting low-income fathers and families by providing services and referrals to services that dramatically increase a father's ability to provide for his family, both emotionally and financially. Eligible applicants include community development corporations, community action agencies, community-based and faith-based organizations, public and private nonprofits and for profit service providers. The deadline for applications is November 1, 2002, by 3:00pm. For additional information, contact Cheryl Coleman Hall at (202) 698-1776.

**21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers Program Grant.** *The District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS), State Education Agency (SEA)* is soliciting applications to develop a program that will be used to implement or expand community learning centers. Under the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers program (21<sup>st</sup> CCLC), grants are provided to SEAs on the basis of their proportionate share of

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funding under Part A of Title I. The SEA has made \$1.3 million available for funding multiple grants. The minimum grant allowed will be \$50,000. The deadline for submission is October 30, 2002.

Applications can only be obtained from the Office of Research and Analysis (ORA), 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, (Judiciary Square), Suite 400 South, Washington, DC 20001. For additional information, please call ORA at (202) 727-7775. A Pre-Application Conference will be held on October 15, 2002 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at 941 N. Capitol St., NE, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Training Room A, Washington, DC 20002.

## Foundation Opportunities

**Environmental Grants.** *The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) and the National Wildlife Refuge System* announce a special request for proposals to mark the centennial of the National Wildlife Refuge System. Awards will support projects that work to enhance the fish, wildlife, and plant habitats of the National Wildlife Refuge system country-wide, allowing the refuge to serve its wildlife and human constituents for the next 100 years; reach beyond the physical boundaries of the refuges themselves to engage people in the work of the refuge through partnerships, new collaborations, and alliances; and work to enhance compatible wildlife-dependent recreation to include hunting, fishing, wildlife photography and observation, and environmental education and interpretation. Eligible applicants include federal, state, or regional conservation agency, or a 501(c)(3) organization. The deadline for applications is December 1, 2002. A total of \$939,000 has been dedicated to this program. Individual awards should not exceed \$100,000. Successful proposals should seek to match the foundation award with a dollar-for-dollar match of funds and contributed goods and services. For more information, see: <http://www.nfwf.org/programs/centennial.htm>.

**Community Reintegration Grant Program.** *The Open Society Institute* welcomes applications for the Center on Crime, Communities & Culture's Campaign for Community Reintegration Grant Program to fund advocacy efforts that facilitate the successful community reintegration of former prisoners and prevent recidivism and re-

incarceration. The program aims to reduce the reliance on punishment and incarceration as a response to social and health problems associated with racial and economic inequality. Advocacy activities may include public education, media campaigns, and organizing; policy-driven research to support such campaigns; publicizing and institutionalizing successful re-entry programs; litigation to challenge barriers to reintegration; grassroots organizing and coalition building for alternative community justice solutions; and leadership development. Although all national or regional organizations advocating for community reintegration are eligible to apply, the center is particularly interested in state and local initiatives where there may be greater potential for progressive structural reform. (The center no longer funds local direct service programs.) For more information, see: <http://www.soros.org/crime/> or contact: Open Society Institute, Center on Crime, Communities & Culture, Grants Department, 400 West 59th Street, New York, NY 10009, (212) 548-0363. Or write to: [rbannon@sorosny.org](mailto:rbannon@sorosny.org).

## Resources & Announcements

**Public Private Partnerships Conference.** *The Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD) and the Washington Council of Agencies (WCA)*, with assistance from CitiBank and Raffa, will sponsor the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Public Private Partnerships Conference on Thursday, October 24, 2002. The theme for this year is "Partnerships: Now More Than Ever." The all day conference will cost \$45 and will be held at George Washington University's Marvin Center. For registration materials, go to the OPGD website: <http://opgd.dc.gov/main.shtm> - or contact WCA at 1666 K Street, NW, Suite 440, Washington, DC 20006, (202) 457-0540. Or register online at: <https://www.regonline.com/?6584>. The deadline for registration is October 16, 2002.

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